IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



Application of:

SCHUTZ, Antonio Jorge

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PROCESS FOR THE CONTINUOUS MANUFACTURE OF SAUSAGES

Docket No. 27589

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Examiner: W. Little

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

AMENDMENT

In response to the office action dated January 13, 2000, amendment and reconsideration of the above application is requested.

Specification:

On page 3, line 16, please delete "5,063,239" and substitute therefor --5,053,23

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Claims:

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Please cancel claims 6 and 7.

Please amend the claims as follows:

4. (Amended) A process for the manufacture of a food product, comprising the steps of:

providing an elongated tube presenting an outlet end;

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